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### **WOUNDED WARRIOR DISCUSSES HIS INSPIRATIONAL MEMOIR ABOUT THE GOLDEN RETRIEVER WHO SAVED HIM** *A Heartwarming True Dog Story that Transformed a Former Soldier's Life Forever*

**SAN DIEGO** – New York Times bestselling author Capt. Luis Carlos Montalván will share his story from his memoir, *Until Tuesday*, about the deep bond he formed with his service dog “Tuesday.” The discussion will be held on Thursday, **December 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.** at the San Diego Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common. This event is presented by the Central Library’s OliverMcMillan I CAN! Center.

Capt. Luis Carlos Montalván is an award-winning author, speaker, and advocate. “Tuesday” is Captain Montalván's beloved service dog and the recipient of the 2013-14 American Kennel Club's Humane Fund Award for Canine Excellence - Service Dog.

Captain Montalván is a 17-year veteran of the U.S. Army, having served multiple tours abroad. He was decorated with numerous awards including two Bronze Stars, the Purple Heart, the Army Commendation Medal for Valor, and the Combat Action Badge.

In 2007, Captain Montalván honorably departed the military, and in 2010, he, with Tuesday by his side, completed a master's of science from Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism.

Luis and Tuesday's inspirational memoir was on the *New York Times* bestseller list in 2011, 2012 and 2013. In 2012, it won two USA Best Book Awards and received finalist honors for an Audio Publisher's Association "Audie Award," and an International Latino Book Award.

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In addition to being an award winning author, Luis is also a vocal advocate. His work has been featured in outlets including *The New York Times*, the *Washington Post*, and the *San Francisco Chronicle*. He regularly appears on local, national, and global media -- they have been featured on NPR, CNN, National Geographic and the Late Show with David Letterman.

Their first children's book titled, "Tuesday Tucks Me In: The Loyal Bond between a Soldier and his Service Dog," released the end of May has received wide acclaim from several sources including the *Wall Street Journal* and the *School Library Journal*, and *Amazon.com* has selected as the "Best Nonfiction Children's Book of 2014, so far."

The San Diego Central Library @ Joan ^ Irwin Jacob Common is located at 330 Park Blvd. in Downtown San Diego. For questions, please call the Library's OliverMcMillan I CAN! Center at 619-238-6665.

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